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What is claimed is:

1 1. A method for providing print outcome notification, comprising the
2 steps of:
3 determining which print settings are selected;
4 determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely
5 affect a printing result; and
6 providing notification to a user that a selected print setting may result in an
7 adverse printing result.

1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining which print
2 settings are selected comprises determining a print setting that has been selected by
3 the user.

1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining which print
2 settings are selected comprises determining a current default print setting.

1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of determining whether one or
2 more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result comprises
3 determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect at
4 least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of a printing device
5 consumable.

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1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing notification
2 comprises facilitating presentation of a warning dialogue box to the user.

1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of providing notification
2 comprises providing an indication of the degree of severity of the adverse result.

1 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of suggesting an
2 alternative print setting that will not likely result in an adverse printing result.

1 8. The method of claim 7, further comprising the step of automatically
2 adjusting a print setting for the user so as to avoid an adverse printing result.

1 9. A system for providing print outcome notification, comprising:
2 means for determining which print settings are selected;
3 means for determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to
4 adversely affect a printing result; and
5 means for providing notification to a user that a selected print setting may
6 result in an adverse printing result.

1 10. The system of claim 9, wherein the means for determining whether one
2 or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result comprise
3 means for determining whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely
4 affect at least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of a printing device
5 consumable.

1 11. The system of claim 9, wherein the means for providing notification
2 comprise means for facilitating presentation of a warning dialogue box to the user.

1 12. The system of claim 9, further comprising means for suggesting an
2 alternative print setting that will not likely result in an adverse printing result.

1 13. A system that includes software configured to provide print outcome
2 notification, comprising:
3 logic configured to determine which print settings are selected;
4 logic configured to determine whether one or more of the print settings is
5 likely to adversely affect a printing result; and
6 logic configured to provide notification to a user that a selected print setting
7 may result in an adverse printing result.

1 14. The system of claim 13, wherein the logic configured to determine
2 whether one or more of the print settings is likely to adversely affect a printing result
3 comprises logic configured to determine whether one or more of the print settings is
4 likely to adversely affect at least one of print quality, print speed, and consumption of
5 a printing device consumable.

1 15. The system of claim 13, wherein the logic configured to provide
2 notification comprises logic configured to facilitate presentation of a warning dialogue
3 box to the user.

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1 16. The system of claim 13, further comprising logic configured to suggest
2 an alternative print setting that will not likely result in an adverse printing result.

1 17. The system of claim 13, further comprising logic configured to cancel
2 printing.

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